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FORECASTING (08.01)

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM HILL TO MALTSEV.

JUNE 9, 1978 08.01

MR. V. N. MALTSEV  
SOVIET EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
US-USSR ENERGY AGREEMENT  
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DEAR MR. MALTSEV:

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE US SIDE OF  
THE US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO EXPRESS OUR  
DISSATISFACTION WITH THE COURSE OF COOPERATION UNDER  
THE WORKING GROUP IN ENERGY INFORMATION & FORECASTING,

08.01.

AS YOU KNOW, PROPOSALS FOR EXPANDED COOPERATION WERE GIVEN TO SOVIET WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN, PROFESSOR YATROV, DURING THE DECEMBER MEETING IN THE US. AT THAT TIME IT WAS AGREED THAT A SOVIET RESPONSE TO THESE US PROPOSALS WOULD BE FORTHCOMING BY MAY 1, 1978. FURTHERMORE, THE IMPORTANCE OF A POSITIVE SOVIET RESPONSE WAS EMPHASIZED BY US WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN SARAH JACKSON TO PROFESSOR YATROV IN DECEMBER; BY DEPUTY SECRETARY O'LEARY IN HIS DECEMBER 20 MEETING WITH PROFESSOR YATROV AND HIS MARCH 13 LETTER TO MINISTER NEPOROZHNIY, AND BY US EMBASSY OFFICIALS IN MEETINGS WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS. THUS FAR, NO SOVIET RESPONSE TO THE US PROPOSALS HAS BEEN RECEIVED DESPITE THE FACT THAT MINISTER NEPOROZHNIY PERSONALLY ASSURED DEPUTY SECRETARY O'LEARY THAT A SOVIET RESPONSE WOULD BE AVAILABLE BY THE AGREED MAY 1 DATE IN HIS APRIL 12 LETTER.

I MUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM YOU THAT CONTINUED SOVIET RELUCTANCE TO PROVIDE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO US PROPOSALS IN ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING WILL SOON BEGIN TO HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT UPON OUR COOPERATION UNDER OTHER ENERGY AGREEMENT EXCHANGES.

IN THIS REGARD, WE SHALL SEND A SENIOR DOE OFFICIAL TO THE UNCLASSIFIED

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JULY 1978 US/USSR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY JOINT COMMISSION MEETING TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF THE ENERGY AGREEMENT WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING. CHAIRMAN KIRILLIN HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE UPCOMING S&T JOINT COMMISSION MEETING WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE FORUM TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS ARISING UNDER THE ENERGY AGREEMENT.

I TRUST THAT YOU WILL APPRECIATE THE SERIOUSNESS OF OUR CONCERN AND THAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN TO OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES TO MEANINGFUL COOPERATION IN THE IMPORTANT FIELD OF ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING.

SINCERELY,

B. D. HILL  
US EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
US/USSR JOINT COMMITTEE ON  
COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY

2. IN DELIVERING LETTER, EMBASSY SHOULD STATE THAT US SIDE HOPES THAT US CONCERNS WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE

ATTENTION OF MINISTER NEPOROZHNIY WITHOUT DELAY. VANCE

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